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DEPARTMENT OF STATE TRANSMITS TO INTER-AMERICAN PEACE COMMITTEE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "THE CASTRO REGIME IN CUBA"

The Department of State released today a document entitled "The Castro Regime in Cuba" which contains information on the extensive ties of the Cuban Government with the Sino-Soviet bloc and the threat posed by the Castro regime to the independent governments of the Western Hemisphere.

On December 6, 1961 Ambassador deLesseps S. Morrison, the United States Representative on the Council of the Organization of American States, transmitted this document to the Inter-American Peace Committee.

The document covers the period from the Seventh Meeting of Consultation of the Foreign Ministers of the American Republics (San Jose, Costa Rica - August 1960), which condemned the intervention of international communism in this hemisphere, through August 1961. The United States is also submitting to the Inter-American Peace Committee information on events since that date, which show even more clearly the nature and extent of the ties between Cuba and the Communist bloc.

The Inter-American Peace Committee is investigating violations of human rights in Cuba and the subversive activities of the Castro regime in other American Republics as a result of (1) Resolution IV of the Fifth Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs and (2) a request made of the Council of the OAS by the Government of Peru on October 13, 1961. The Inter-American Peace Committee will report the results of its investigation to the 8th Meeting of Foreign Ministers beginning on January 22, 1962 at Punta del Este, Uruguay.

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